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FROM: [REDACTED]
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RE: UNSIGHTLY, VISUALLY DETERIORATING CONDITION OF
NORTHEAST ENTRANCE

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THIS LETTER ADDRESSES SEVERAL UNSIGHTLY CONDITIONS THAT HAVE EXISTED FOR MANY MONTHS AT CIA'S OTHER "MAIN" ENTRANCE - NORTHEAST. THIS IS THE ONLY ENTRANCE OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY AND AFTER DUTY HOURS CONSTITUTES THE MAIN ENTRANCE. THE DETERIORATING CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN EXACERBATED WITH THE ADDITION OF THE CONCRETE BARRIERS SEVERAL MONTHS AGO.

UNSAFETY CONDITIONS ARE UNACCEPTABLE AS THIS ENTRANCE SERVES MANY PEOPLE - PENTAGON "BAGS", CONSULTANTS, REPAIR PERSONNEL FOR THE GROWING NUMBER OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND OTHER PERSONNEL FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND NSA. AS SUCH THIS ENTRANCE NEEDS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION IN THE AREAS OUTLINED BELOW. SUGGESTIONS FOR UPGRADE IMPROVEMENTS ARE LISTED ALSO.

1. REMOVE DEBRIS AND UNUSED PARTS FROM AUTOMATIC DOOR OPENER THAT WAS INSTALLED MONTHS AGO.
2. PATCHING OF CONCRETE WHERE IT IS BREAKING UP.
3. REMOVAL OF DETERIORATING "SAUNDAPAPER" THAT WAS ADDED TO SMOOTH CONCRETE SURFACE WHICH PREVENTS SLIPPAGE. WHEN THE "SAUNDAPAPER" WAS STUCK DOWN IT WAS WRINKLED IN PLACES. NOW, ABOUT A YEAR AFTER INSTALLATION IT REALLY LOOKS BAD. IT WAS A VERY SHODDY, QUICK-FIX SOLUTION... AND IT LOOKS IT. SOLUTION: AFTER PATCHING, REPAIRING CONCRETE (MENTIONED ABOVE) APPLY A PERMANENT COATING OF SOME SORT THAT HAS TEXTURE WHICH WOULD BE SLIP-RESISTANT. I BELIEVE WE DISCUSSED THIS IDEA EARLIER AS THE MOST IDEAL SOLUTION. THERE ARE COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AVAILABLE (WHICH WOULD HAVE SAVED THE AGENCY MONEY) THAT CAN BE PAINTED, OR SPRAYED ON... IN ESSENCE A PERMANENT SOLUTION.
4. REMOVAL OF BARRICADES AND INSTALLATION OF PLANTERS SIMILAR TO STATE DEPARTMENT. I THINK THE AGENCY SECURITY OFFICE WILL WANT TO KEEP BARRICADES OF THIS TYPE INDEFINITELY IN PLACE - "IF WE'RE GOING TO LIVE WITH 'EM LET'S DISGUISE 'EM".
5. REPLACEMENT OF CEILING TILES IN "H" CORRIDOR - AND EVERYWHERE ELSE THEY'VE BEEN REMOVED. "H" CORRIDOR HAS BEEN MISSING TILES FOR MONTHS.

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6. I WOULD BE WILLING TO WORK ON THE EXTERIOR COMMITTEE TO FOLLOW-UP ON THIS - BUT I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR DOING THEIR ASSIGNED TASKS. IT'S WHAT THEY'RE BEING PAID TO DO.

MUCH "SPRUCING UP" IS TAKING PLACE AROUND THE BUILDING AND THIS IS GOOD. WITH THE COMPLETION OF NORTHSIDE, PAINTING OF INTERIOR WALLS, AND NEW LIGHTING MUCH HAS BEEN DONE TO MAKE THIS A NICER PLACE TO WORK - IT HAS NOT GONE UNNOTICED -

IF YOU NEED FURTHER CLARIFICATION ON THESE MATTERS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME. SEE YOU AT THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING.

THANK YOU —

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